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1. A conference was held at Ernst Thälmann-Werk, Magdeburg, [redacted] 25X1
1951, which was attended by representatives of the following steel works and
rolling mills:

SAG AMO Ernst Thälmann-Werk, Magdeburg.

SAG Marten, Eisen- und Hüttenwerke, Thale, Kupfer- und Messingwerke
Hettstedt and Oswald Kunsch Werk Silbitz.

VVB Vesta Stahl- und Walzwerk VEB, Hennigsdorf.*

VVB Vesta Maxhütte VEB, Unterwellenborn.

VEB Stahl- und Walzwerke, Riesa and Gröditz.

VVB NZ Walzwerk Finow, VEB and Walzwerk Aus**

2. The main subject for discussion was the removal of difficulties and bottlenecks caused by the lack of spare parts from Western Germany, particularly rollers, for which the main supplier in the past had been Stahlwerk Krieger, Düsseldorf-Ober-Kassel. Lack of spare parts was given by all members of the conference as the main reason for the nonfulfilment of planned production.
3. Dipl. Ing. Honza (fnu), the foundry manager of the Ernst Thälmann-Werk, Magdeburg, told the conference that after months of research work the Thälmann-Werk had succeeded in producing a cast alloy steel which would serve to remove the main bottleneck, which was a scarcity of rollers. This steel, with a strength of 160 kg/mm² was superior in quality to that used by Stahlwerk Krieger, Düsseldorf-Ober-Kassel. During the first experiments it had been found that, although the casing had proved to be hard enough, the interior of the steel roller was still somewhat brittle, but this fault had now been overcome. Everything was ready for the experiments on a large scale.

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